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State Route 3 Near Trinity Lake Reduced to One-Way Traffic

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin one-way traffic control on State Route (SR) 3 in Trinity County in two locations near Trinity Lake. Temporary signals will be in place, reducing traffic on the East Fork and Stuart Fork bridges to one-lane, 24-hours per day throughout the summer and fall construction seasons.

Installation of the signals and concrete barriers has begun, with one-way traffic control to begin within two weeks. The Caltrans Permits office will have wide-load restrictions in place beginning Monday, April 9, 2007. For information on the permit restrictions, please call 530-225-3400.

The East Fork and Stuart Fork Creek structure are being replaced. Bridge overhangs are being replaced and new railing is being installed, along with some seismic retrofitting at the Stuart Fork location. Earthwork is also being performed in order to improve the sight distance for vehicles turning on to SR 3 at Trinity Alps Road. Both locations may require two construction seasons with completion anticipated in late 2008.

One-way traffic control will be in place 24-hours per day with actual construction to take place between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Motorists can expect up to six minute delays. Construction on this \$3.8 million dollar project is being completed by Mercer Fraser Inc. of Eureka. For more information contact Mark Darnall at (530) 218-1742.

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